

We candidly admit we never expected to see such rates on WINTER SUITS and OVERCOATS. Scarcity of money compels price-paring. We lose profits but we gain customers by our small charges.

We do not hang up muslin banners, but we do the business on the inside.

We guarantee our prices lower than any one. We do not quote you any fictitious prices but if you need clothing in Winter Suits, Overcoats, Caps, Gloves, Mittens and Underwear, come and see, as we KNOCK THEM ALL OUT.

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ANSTEAD'S
1/2 OFF SALE.

Each of our eighteen departments are selling all goods at just one-half the Regular Prices, (excepting our Domestic Departments) in which we sell at actual New York cost. Anstead's money-getting sale commenced promptly at 8 a. m., Monday morning, Jan 22. Store will be kept open every evening for two weeks. We shall sell for two weeks from our \$40,000 stock and from every department (excepting domestics) at just one-half the regular price. Everything in the house is marked in plain figures, which is as low in price as any house in the city. This money-losing sale to the house, and money-saving sale to our friends and customers, is made for the sole purpose of turning at least \$20,000 of the stock into cash in two weeks.

Ten extra salespeople have been engaged. It will pay you to come fifty miles to buy at this sale.

People who found our store locked at intervals during the afternoon will please understand it was on account of the number of people in the house not being able to obtain the proper attention.

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Dry Goods, Cloaks, Carpets,
211 N. WATER, ST.,

THE GOOD MAN SLEEPS

But His Beneficent Deeds Live After Him,

AND ARE CHERISHED IN LOYAL HEARTS

The Public Ledger's Tribute to His Worth—The Pulpit on the Perfect Man—Who Knew Him Best Loved Him.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5.—The Ledger, in an editorial Saturday, says:

George W. Childs died this morning. This announcement will be received with profound grief by those who stood near to him; who knew, admired and loved him. All who knew him did admire and love him, for his life was a prolonged benediction.

To others who stood further apart from him, to whom he was unknown except for the good that he did, the influence of which was so potent and extended, the announcement of his death will seem scarcely less than the realization of a personal loss. His life was so broad, generous and beneficent as to be that mantle of charity which covers all the world, as with him charity was the greatest of all. It had neither metes nor bounds; his bounty was as deep, his benevolence as wide as human need.

He made charity the cheerful duty and the daily beauty of his life. He did not do it for himself, but for others. The controlling motive of his life was, "Be just." The dominating action of it was, "Be helpful," and no man was ever more helpful than he.

The creed of no man was broader, it was that all men were his neighbors, brethren. He loved humanity, made his love for it real, and by so doing blessed his own life and that of myriads daily.

George W. Childs was a self-made man, the architect of his own fortunes, and no man could have designed or builded better than he, as he planned and builded to be useful and helpful to his fellow men. That he was; and in nothing did he bear more convincing testimony to this truth than in the great journal, the Public Ledger, to which he devoted not only his fine intelligence and energy but his character, his courage, high conscience. First of all, he would be right, he had, as few men have demonstrated, the courage of his convictions.

The editors of the Ledger had been given by him for their daily guidance only one code of laws, one formula of instructions, and they were: "Be right, as you understand what is right." Apart from that they had freedom of expression as broad and general as the field of truth itself.

Mr. Childs never recovered from the effects of the death of his friend, Mr. Drexel. He had loved, he mourned and he missed him. They were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they are not divided.

"Love, honor and reverence." We pay this tribute to the public-spirited citizen, who was foremost in zeal for the public welfare, to the sincere friend, to the devoted husband, to the gentle gentleman, to the kindest, most generous employer, to the wise, far-seeing man whose life was all goodness, charity and friendliness. To have known such a man was an inestimable privilege, as no one could come within the daily influence of his noble, gracious, friendly life and not be a better, manlier man for it.

Felt Most Among Those Who Knew Him Best.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5.—In many of the churches of the various denominations yesterday the death of George W. Childs was feelingly referred to by the officiating clergymen, and his passing away was pronounced a public loss and bereavement.

The arrangements for the funeral of Mr. Childs have not been completed yet, but it has been decided that it shall be held at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from St. James' Protestant Episcopal church, of which Mr. Childs was a vestryman for many years. Who will be asked to be pallbearers is still undecided, and it is difficult to make a choice for the sad honor among Mr. Childs' host of friends in this city and other cities. Even the question of the place of his interment is still a matter of doubt. Mr. Childs had a lot in Laurel Hill cemetery, but to many of his intimate friends it seems appropriate that he should be laid to rest in the same mausoleum in Woodlawn cemetery that contains the dust of his friend and companion of life, the late A. J. Drexel. Whichever is decided upon, however, the interment will be private.

The employees of every department of the Public Ledger met in the composing room of the paper yesterday afternoon to take appropriate action upon Mr. Childs' death. The meeting was called to order by L. Clarke Davis, managing editor of the paper, who moved that Col. M. Richards Muckle, cashier of the Ledger, preside. Col. Muckle took the chair and, after a few feeling and touching words in reference to the object of the meeting, called upon Mr. Davis to address his fellow-employees.

Mr. Davis spoke eloquently of Mr. Childs' many beautiful traits of character, and his sympathetic and kindly relations with his employees.

Speeches in the same vein were made by William V. McKim, the aged retired editor of the Ledger; Mrs. C. F. Halliwell, editor of the Woman's department; Dr. William Witt, for the local staff; Henry S. Stiles, assistant cashier; John W. Leasing, for the compositor; and Joel Cook, business manager of the paper. Addison B. Burke, chief editorial writer, presented resolutions that were unanimously adopted, expressing the sense of loss felt by the employees of the Ledger in Mr. Childs' death. It was also decided that the Ledger employees attend the funeral in a body.

VAILLANT GUILLOTINED.

The Last Words of the Dynamiter:

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Auguste Vaillant, the anarchist who threw a bomb in the chamber of deputies on December 9, was guillotined at 5:10 o'clock this morning, at the Prison de la Roquette. His last words as he was led to the guillotine were: "Death to the bour-

Traveling Alone

On journeys is tedious—makes trips seem long which are all too short with good company!

How is it then that on one great journey so many choose to travel absolutely alone—turn their backs on the only companions that can make the way pleasant? It's the journey of life, and the way is long, tedious, and even dreaded, unless we are hand in hand with those

Two Friends

Health and Strong Nerves! When they are along days are full of sunshine!

Are they with you making the journey happy, or have you driven them away by carelessness, worry, overwork, dissipation, or other causes? We want to tell you that a prompt and faithful use of

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always brings back Health and Strong Nerves—makes a reconciliation!

Explain your case (with stamp for reply) and the Doctor will gladly advise you. Free treatment for other disease with Nervous Troubles will be given to users of the

We offer \$500 to any chemist or other person who shall find by analysis a particle of opium, morphine, cocaine, or any harmful drug in this remedy which users can depend upon as all right.

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A Special Complete Treatment, consisting of SUPPOSITORIES, Capsules of Glycerine and two Boxes of Ointment. A never-failing Cure for Piles of every nature and degree. It makes an operation with the knife or injections of carbolic acid, which are painful and seldom a permanent cure, and often resulting in death, unnecessary. Why endure this terrible disease? We guarantee that you will be cured in 24 hours. For only 50c per box, 95c for 3 boxes. For 3 boxes, 95c for 3 boxes. For 3 boxes, 95c for 3 boxes.

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Prepared by J. C. WATER, 100 North Water Street, Decatur, Ill.

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In OUR hands, for spot cash, bought all our Winter Goods at remarkably low figures

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In YOUR hands now will go further in buying Clothing of US than you imagine

We are NOT overstocked, but what winter goods we have we are anxious to sell, and we are making prices on them which will sell them. If you want new clothing that is right in fit, workmanship and material and want to own them CHEAP, look through our stock and see what we have to show you.

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—AND—

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2000 Pieces of Hamburg Edgings, Embroideries and Torchon Laces.

200 pieces of Hamburg Edgings at 2½ and 3c.

300 pieces of Hamburg Edgings at 5c yard.

1,000 pieces of Edging and Embroideries, from one to four inches wide, at 8c, 10c and 12½c yard.

300 pieces wide Embroideries and Flouncings at 15c, 18c, 20c and 25c yard

Linen Torchon Laces at 2c, 2½c, 3c, 5c, 7c, 8c, 10c and 12½c yard.

Just Opened. Boxes of Black Silk Laces, Print Venice, Print de Ireland, Val Laces, and Choice Novelties in Veilings.

Unusual Offering of White Nainsooks, Check Nainsooks, Dimity, colored and white, Dotted Swiss, French Pique, Irish Lawns, Tuckings and Hemstitched Lawns.

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Fatal Encounter Between Two Rivals for the Hand of a Platt County Girl.

Thomas Lloyd and Frank Stucker, of Mansfield, Platt county, had a desperate encounter, the result of an old feud between them over a girl, Miss Rose Hansen, whom they both were in love with. Miss Hansen discarded Lloyd for Stucker and this enraged Lloyd. They met at the station and the feud was passed, when Lloyd assaulted Stucker, knocking him down. They fought for some time and were finally parted by friends. Stucker's head was beaten into a jelly and a deep gash cut in his head. He died Saturday from his injuries.

The sheriff captured Lloyd by tracking him through the snow to the home of a Mr. Stone, where he found him hid in a smoke-house. He was landed in the county jail. Lloyd has a brother in Decatur who is an engineer. Stucker has relatives living in Ford county, Ill. Lloyd denies having used anything but his fists on Stucker, but bystanders claim he used brass knuckles, and the injuries sustained by Stucker would sustain this charge. Coroner Barnes held an inquest on the body of Stucker. There is much excitement over the matter, and a large crowd met the prisoner at the train on his arrival, but he was safely landed in jail. They were both about the same age, 21 years old.

Sent to Ohio.

It appears that Hiram Bahney, the peddler who committed suicide at the Park hotel, has more friends since he died than while he was alive. A brother in Kansas telegraphed and then sent a letter directing that the body be given decent burial at his expense; then a telegram with an order for \$50 came from a relative in Ohio, asking that the body be sent to Massillon, Ohio, for burial. Saturday night the body was sent to Ohio. The money sent will cover all expenses here. Arrangements had been perfected to inter the body in Greenwood cemetery, and the telegram from Ohio came just in time to change the plans.

"The Black Crook."

To-night the famous Black Crook begins a two nights' engagement at the Grand. Years ago Black Crook was considered the finest piece on the boards. Since its first production the modern improvements of stage craft and dancing and scenery have been added keeping the piece abreast of the times. During the world's fair it was the reigning sensation of Chicago and occupied McKim's conservative stage. The company which is here includes about 60 people and as much scenery as was shown in Ali Baba and Sindbad.

E. A. Gastman Is President.

Saturday at noon the Schoolmasters' Club finished its session and adjourned until the first Friday and Saturday of next October. Prof. E. A. Gastman, of Decatur, was elected president, and Prof. B. P. Colton, of Normal, secretary for the coming year. A committee composed of these two and Frank McMurray, of Champaign, was appointed to draft a course of study for the first and second years of our public schools, illustrating the principles of concentration.—Bloomington Pantagraph.

In a Sad Plight.

Miss Maggie Truelock, the daughter of James Truelock, who on the night of Jan. 30th accidentally shot and killed her lover, David Lambert at the Pearly home east of Mt. Zion, is in a very precarious condition, and it is feared that because of sorrow and remorse she will die. She has refused to take anything to eat or drink since the night of the tragedy. It is thought that she cannot recover.

Charged With Cruelty.

Martin O. Smith and Elsie E. Morrison were married at Clinton, Ill., Sept. 9, 1893, and they lived together until Jan. 15, 1894. Martin asks for a divorce from Elsie on the ground of repeated cruelty. He also wants the custody of two children, a son and daughter, eight and two years old respectively. O. W. Smith is complainant's attorney.

Mrs. Fred Sheldon.

Mrs. Fred Sheldon, the woman who traversed Eastern Africa alone, without a guard or a white person accompanying her, with the view of gathering material to write a book on that section of Africa, will speak on what she saw in these travels at the M. E. church on the evening of Feb. 15, 1894. Remember the date and the lecturer.

Myrtle Temple, No. 2.

MYRTLE TEMPLE No. 2, Pythian Sisters, will have a taffy-pulling and social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Seeforth, 409 South Webster street, on Monday evening, Feb. 5. There will be a charge of 10 cents for admission for the benefit of the Temple. 2-62

Nothing So Good

For sick or dull headache, constipation, or torpid liver, as Caldwell's Peppin. It will cost but 10 cents to try this excellent remedy—10 doses 10 cents. Jan 25-d1w

Tinware.

We have made a still deeper cut into tinware and house furnishing goods. Come and get them while they are going. J. W. RACE, Assignee.

Tax Buyers' and Merchants' Benefit Bureau pays you 4 per cent on your entire living expenses. Call upon the manager, L. Chodot and learn how. de18dt

Charles Snyder to A. J. Dreabach, a lot on North Calhoun street—\$1,000. Joseph Mohl to Charles Snyder, 114 acres in Long Creek township—\$7,000. Charles Snyder to Charles A. Dreabach, a lot on Caldwell—\$2,500. Andrew J. Booker to R. F. McDonald, lot 8, block 2, Long Creek—\$100. O. E. Kirk to Thomas A. Goesch, a lot on Waggoner—\$1,200. Harry A. Wood to Harry T. Foster, deed to lot 8, block 1, Wood's addition of out-lots—\$300. E. L. Booth to Henry N. Vest, quit claim to tract of land in Mt. Zion—\$10. I. I. Oranger to T. A. Prichett and W. Z. Walmaley, deed to lot 1, Quinan's first addition—\$1,800. Jonas Strohl to U. T. Johnston, deed to lot 1, block 4, East Park Boulevard—\$2,000. Mary P. Wonscott to John B. Wonscott, deed to lot 1, block 1, S. E. Smith's reserve in Mt. Zion—\$300. Edward D. Oles to Albert McDonald, deed to lots 4, 5 and 6, block 27, Railroad addition to Macon—\$700. Albert McDonald to Addie Brown, deed to above property—\$725. Elijah Strevey to William F. Strevey, deed to lots 10 and 11, block 5, in Boody—\$400.

The Pole Question.

This forenoon the Quinze's Mutual Telephone company's force was interrupted in the work of erecting the tall poles along the south side of Main street from Lincoln Square east. The merchants made a united kick against the work, and Mayor Moffitt and some of the aldermen were called in to settle the difficulty. The mayor told the men to stop the work, but when he left work was resumed. When he returned he again ordered the men to stop until the matter could be brought before the council to-night. Some of the merchants object to the poles going up in front of their places of business. There is a good chance ahead for a lively row on all business streets on the pole question.

Injunction Denied.

At Peoria Saturday Judge T. M. Shaw denied the temporary injunction prayed by the Pekin and Spring Lake Hunting and Fishing Club, restraining several residents in the neighborhood of the lake from hunting and fishing on the ground, upward of 35,000 acres, claimed by the Hunting and Fishing Club, of which about 30 residents of Decatur are members. The court was of the opinion that it had the power to stay waste during enjoyment, but he did not regard fishing as waste, but rather use, the same as a person might make use of land to grow crops. The future of the case will be watched with interest.

Art Room Sale.

We will offer the greatest inducements to buyers of Lamps for One Week, ending Monday, Feb. 12th. Piano Lamps, Banquet Lamps, Library Lamps, Boule Lamps, Onyx Tables, Jardineers, Teakwood Tables, Etc., and the greatest line of Lamp Shades in the city. The prices on these goods will be at par with all our SPECIAL SALES which every one admits are lower than the "Assignee Goods" have been offered. It will pay you to take a look through our ART ROOM and learn how low we can sell goods when we want to unload. IF YOU HAVE MONEY it will do more now than ever before in your recollection.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.

Caught by a Grand Jury. Hon. D. W. Holtzlaw and his two brothers, of Marion county, who suspected Fred Smith, a cousin, of having stolen \$350 hidden in an old coat, and to make him confess the theft suspended him by the neck, and who settled a suit for damages for \$50,000 brought by Smith by paying the latter \$15,000 have been indicted by the grand jury and are likely to have to stand a criminal prosecution. Tom Merritt is Smith's attorney.

Horses Wanted.

I will be at the old stand, North Church street, Decatur Illinois, on Thursday Friday and Saturday, Feb. 8, 9 and 10. Will buy horses for the New England market. Want some good Blooky Horses well broken, from 1,000 to 1,300 pounds and from 5 to 8 years old. Highest market price will be paid. 5-d1w SWTH PRATT.

A Broken Leg.

John Stanculitz, while at work for C. F. Butzbach this morning at the river, had the misfortune to break a leg. A heavy cake of ice struck the leg and caused the injury. He was taken to his home, 820 South Colfax street, where the fracture was reduced.

Stenographer.

CALL on Miss Nellie B. Calhoun, at the office of the Columbia Mfg. Co., 114 South Water St., for first class stenographic work.

\$1.20.

We will close out one-hundred dozen silver plated knives and forks, six knives and six forks, for \$1.20.

J. W. RACE, Assignee.

New Year's brings to us \$15.00, 16.50, 18.00 and 20.00 suits for \$11.75. Jan 14-d1w Geo. W. Jones & Co.

The Hon. Simon Wolf of Washington is compiling a "roll of honor," to contain the names of all Jews who ever served in the army or navy of the United States, and he has it practically completed.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best SALVE in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, better, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or your money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by King & Wood, druggists.

THE REPUBLICAN is indebted to R. J. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis, for the following market quotations:

CHICAGO, Ill., February 5, 1894.

ARTICLES.	Open- ing.	High's.	Low's.	Closing.
WHEAT—				
Feb.....	61½	61½	61½	61½
May.....	63½	63½	63½	63½
July.....	65½	65½	65½	65½
CORN—				
Feb.....	35	35	34½	34½
May.....	37½	37½	37½	37½
July.....	39½	39½	39½	39½
OATS—				
Feb.....	28½	28½	27½	27½
May.....	29½	29½	29½	29½
July.....	31½	31½	31½	31½

LONDON, 1 p. m.—Cargoes off coast wheat quiet but steady; maize nothing offering. On passage and forthcoming wheat and maize slow.

LYNCEPOOL, 1 p. m. Wheat spot at opening, quiet but steady; maize, more demand at the decline.

CLOSING PROVISIONS.

PORK—Feb. \$12.85; May, \$12.75.

LARD—Feb. \$7.47; May, \$7.37.

RICE—Feb. \$6.35; May, \$6.47.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CASH LOTS.

Wheat, all grades 60. Estimated 50.

Corn, all grades 30. Estimated 30.

Oats, all grades 17. Estimated, 16.

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS.

Hogs 21,000, 4,000 below estimate market slow & higher. Light hogs \$5.15 to \$5.35. Heavy packing, \$5.00 to \$5.10.

Cattle 15,000; market lower.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat 121 Corn 925; Oats 210.

Hogs, 20,000.

VISIBLE SUPPLY.

FOR THE WEEK.

Wheat—decrease..... 271,000

Corn—decrease..... 945,000

Oats—decrease..... 183,000

Minneapolis and Duluth get 371 cars to-day as compared with 285 same day last year.

Wheat opened lower and was rather weak.

Corn opened ½ lower all around, and felt bearish.

Oats opened a little lower, and though dull were fairly steady.

Let us sing.

Since the singing class was organized Jan. 5, I have had quite a number express regret that they did not become members. I have decided to organize another class for beginners at the First M. E. church Feb. 8, at which time my class will sing, showing what progress has been made in ten lessons. I invite all that are interested in the subject. Anyone wishing to begin can join the new class, and persons who can read some may join the present class. This will be the last opportunity to learn the rudiments, as the classes will finally be united and advance together.

5-d4 S. M. LUTZ

If, when crossing a railroad track, you see a train approaching at thirty miles an hour—get out of the way as soon as possible. When threatened with chronic rheumatism or catarrh, take Ayer's Sarsaparilla persistently and patiently, and the danger will soon pass away.

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Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. MAON COUNTY.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Ill. No. 14,337. In Chancery.

John J. Hult and Elsie A. Hult, et al. vs. James J. Finn, Master in Chancery. Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the above entitled cause, entered at the January term, A. D. 1894, in the above entitled cause, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of the said court, will, on

Saturday, February 17th, 1894, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of section 17, township 14, north range 2 east of the 2d E. M., in Macon county, Illinois, which said sale shall be upon the following terms, to-wit:

One-third cash in hand on day of sale, one-third in one year, and one-third in two years, the purchaser thereof giving approved personal security for deferred payments, and also a mortgage on the premises sold; or, if the purchaser elects, he can pay all cash on the day of sale.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 27th day of January, 1894.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

MILLIE BROS., complainant's atts.

P. D. & E. RY. EXCURSIONS.

LAND and Home Seekers' Excursions. The P. D. & E. Ry. will sell round trip tickets to all points in C. O. R. R. Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, except New Orleans, including points on the Yazoo and Aberdeen branches, except Memphis. Dates of sale—Feb. 13, March 20, April 26, 1894. Tickets good thirty days from date of sale. Also to all points on M. & O. south of Ohio river. Dates of sale Feb. 8, 13, 20, March 20, April 26, 1894. Tickets good 30 days. Also to points in Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. Dates of sale Feb. 8, 13, 20, March 20, April 26, 1894. Limit to 30 days. For all points in Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana, Feb. 13, March 13, April 13, 1894. Limit 30 days. For tickets or further information, call on P. D. & E. Ry. W. L. Library, Book, or C. O. JUDSON, Union Depot. Feb 5

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I will take Contracts to grow hair on the head or face with those who call at my office or at the office of my agents, provided the head is not glossy, or the pores of the scalp not closed. Where the hair is shiny or the pores closed, there is no cure. Call and be examined free of charge. If you cannot call, write to me. I will send you the name of the scalp and your occupation.

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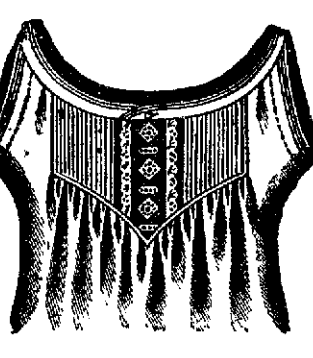
THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF NEW SPRING GOODS TO BE PLACED ON SALE THIS WEEK.

Ladies' Muslin Drawers.



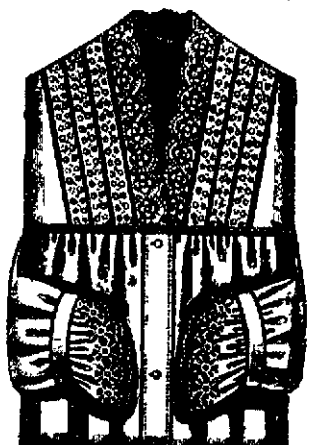
At 39c, 45c, 49c, 65c and 98c.

Ladies' Chemises.



25c
40c
59c
75c
98c

Ladies' Gowns.




49c
69c
98c
\$1.25

Ladies' White Skirts.



49c, 59c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.

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11c 25c
35c 49c
69c 75c
\$1.00

Misses' and Childrens' Muslin Underwear.

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Gowns.....49, 75 and 85c
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<p>Princess May New Zephyrs.....12½c</p> <p>French Figured Satens.....15</p> <p>Colored Figured Swiss.....10</p> <p>Figured Japan Cloth.....15</p> <p>Figured Tonkin Crepe.....10</p> <p>30-inch Galatea Cloth.....25</p> <p>30-inch Imported Japonette.....35</p> <p>30-inch English Duck, figured.....15</p>	<p>Extra Fine Dimity.....15c</p> <p>Plain Colored Zephyrs.....15</p> <p>Imported Shirred Zephyrs.....25</p> <p>30-inch Printed Crepe.....25</p> <p>30-inch Plain Crepe.....20</p> <p>Fancy Glacés.....15</p> <p>Extra Fine Sea Island Zephyrs.....15</p> <p>Extra Quality Dress Ginghams.....15</p>
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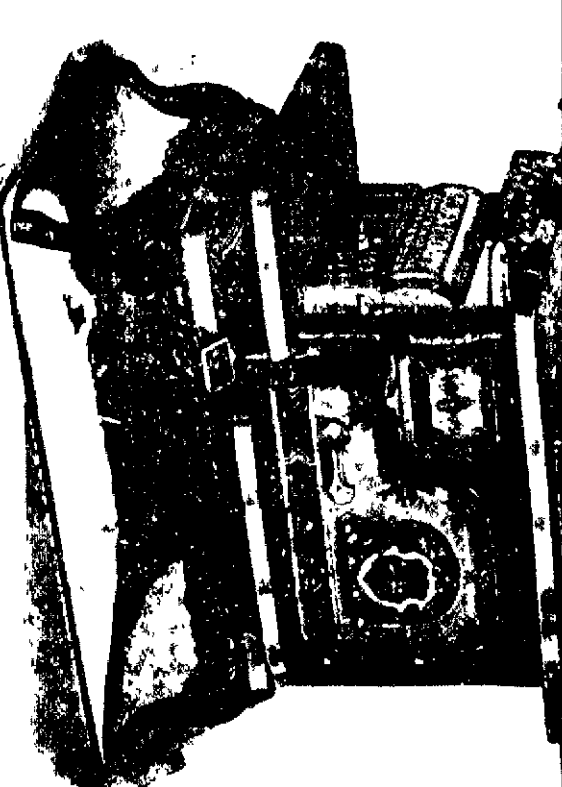
The people of Decatur and know a good thing when they see it. This is the only explanation we can give.

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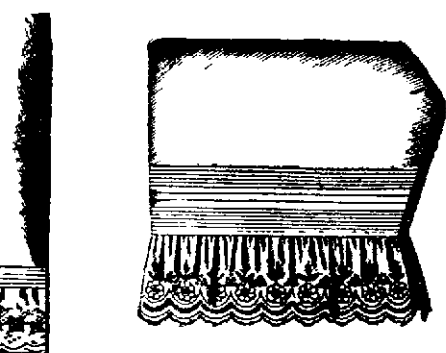
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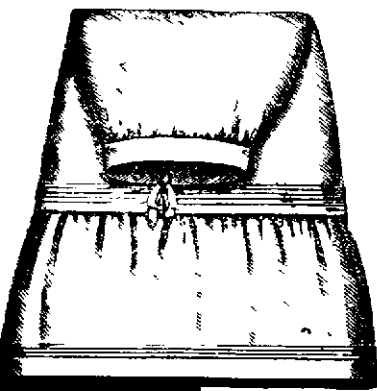


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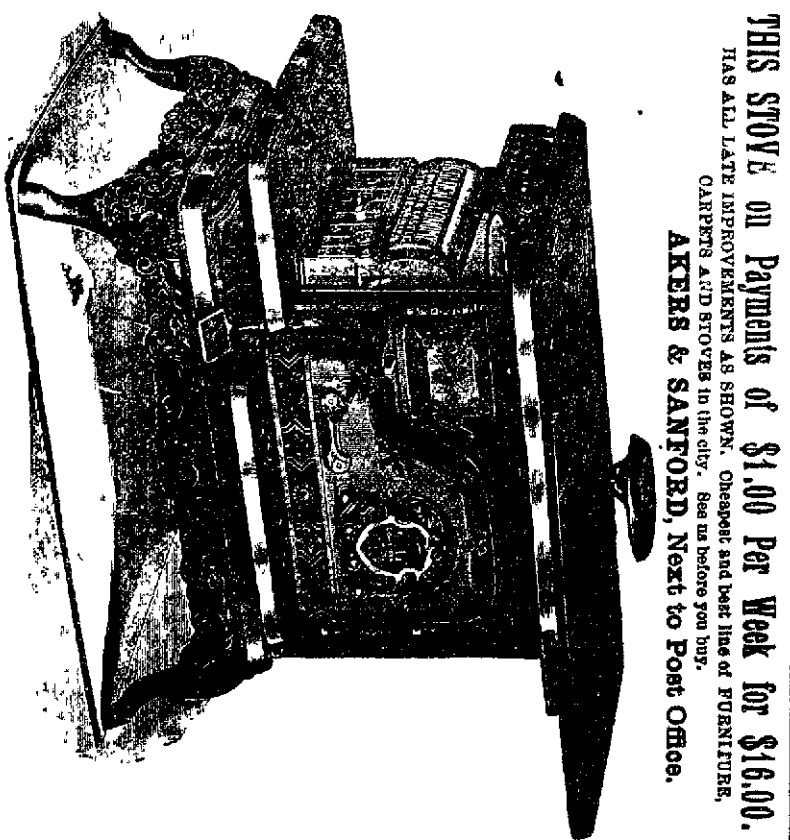
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A CHAPTER ON DOGS.

How to Care for Them—Early Education
Beneficial.

If every dog in the world were killed it
would throw a large credit to the fa-
vorable side of the world's finances, so
far as dollars and cents are concerned.
The feed of dogs, their taxes, and
finally their depredations, foot up a
large amount. Still the world does not
live for dollars and cents. And how
many a child would mourn its amus-
ing pet, how many a lock and house-
hold miss a faithful friend and de-
fender! Burglars, foxes, vermin gen-
erally would rejoice at canine extinc-
tion. But men who have been pulled
by dogs from Alpine snowdrifts, re-
scued from drowning, delivered from
infuriated bulls or from the burglar's
pistol, are not going to vote against
the dog. No dog should be trusted to
run loose at night unless the owner is
absolutely sure that it will not leave
his premises, or bite an inoffensive
stranger. This is so hard to determine
that it is safest that every dog should
be tied, during the night at least. This
rule would decrease the ravages in
flocks of sheep wonderfully, as such
batches are generally done at night.
If every dog running loose at night
could be shot with impunity, it would
be an excellent law, in sheep-growing
districts at least.

If you own a good dog, do not kick
him outdoors when you go to bed and
tell him to shift for himself. He can-
not be expected to remain a good dog
long. Get a tight, large dry goods box,
cut a circular hole just big enough for
the dog to pass through, in one side of
the box near the end. Nail a loose flap
of carpet above the hole to keep out the
wind. Put on a sloping roof of
matched boards and set the house in
an open shed on the south side of a
building. A dog with such a residence,
although it is cheap, will learn self-
respect. Now get several rods of heavy
wire and fasten it near the dog's house,
a little higher than your head, so it
will not be an obstacle, and carry it
out to a tall post and fasten it taut,
about six feet high. String the ring of
the dog's chain on it before fastening it.
It is then but a second's work to
snap or unsnap the chain from the
dog's collar. The animal can have a
fine run out to the post and back, in-
suring health and cleanliness, and the
way he will make the chain jingle
along that wire will make you admire
the contrivance. Give the dog an oc-
casional bath with flea soap, or a rub-
bing with bagging. Insect powder,
also, will kill fleas if dusted dry into
the hair. A dog's food should be var-
ied, with not too much meat, though
a bone is always a boon to him; table
scraps, Johnnycake made of meal and
fine middlings, with a little bone meal
in it and dried beet root; stale bread
from the baker's will place out the
dog's menu. Remember, also, that
pure water is as important as food.

For all purposes of the farmer the
Scottish collie is the choice dog. He will
not only drive stock by instinct, but is
a good watcher, fond of children, and
often a game hunter of vermin, squir-
rels, etc. Terriers—Scottish, Irish, fox
bull and other sorts—are valuable ani-
mals, not only for hunting rats, but as
house dogs to detect robbers, they are
unequaled. They are generally safe
and a gamey, amusing pet. Fox hounds
render an excellent service to poultry
raisers; but setters, pointers and such
pets of hunters cannot be trusted
around poultry. They are better kept
on the chain, being often snappy in
disposition. Beware of Spitz dogs and
degenerate Newfoundland, as they are
prone to bite, and seem especially lia-
ble to hydrophobia. A pure Newfound-
land makes a noble protector, especial-
ly for children when near the water.
A thoroughbred St. Bernard is the no-
biest and safest of canine companions,
but they are too high-priced for the
average farmer.

If possible, get a dog in his youth,
and train him up in the way he should
go. Old dogs will not attend school, or
at least will ignore their lessons. When
training a young dog, do it all alone by
yourself, so nothing will distract him;
let him know you are in earnest, en-
list his good-will, reward him when he does
well, and do not weary him with a long
lesson, and you will succeed.—C. H.
Crandall, in Country Gentleman.

THE SHAH'S HIGHWAY.

A Word Picture of the Avenue of Approach
to a Great Capital.

The shah's highway, considered as
an agreeable promenade, or merely as
a necessary avenue of approach to a
great capital, cannot be considered as
a shifting success. Straight away in
front of us, as far as the eye can reach,
it stretches over a level plain, and up
a slight rise, bounded on one side by a
straight line of iron telegraph poles.
The sky is slightly overcast; a
dense wind blows in our faces, bringing
dense clouds of dust, which rise at
times to great height in the distance,
often taking the form of waterspouts
or of towering columns of smoke; once
enveloped in one of these traveling
dust storms, there is nothing to do but
to hold our heads down, and with eyes
tightly shut ride through it, emerging
on the other side white-bearded and
powdered like millers. Sometimes we
try to avoid these encounters by riding
over the rough and broken ground on
one side. There are many wrecks by
the way of what were once stout ships
of the desert, as well as the last rem-
nants of horses, mules and donkeys,
lying where they gave up the struggle
for life. The only birds in this drear
landscape are the ravens, which hunt
in couples, and fly up from the road
croaking hoarsely as we approach.
There is not even a hard bank of earth.
There is none large enough to sit upon
when it is time for lunch, and one can
only squat ignominiously in the dust.
—Edwin Lord, Weeks, in Harper's
Magazine.

One Direction.

At the North Pole there is only one
direction—south. East and west have
vanished. The hour of the day at the
pole is a paradoxical conception, for
that point is the meeting place of every
meridian, and the time of all holds
good, so that it is any time one cares
to mention.—San Francisco Argonaut.

A DADLY CA EER.

The Death of a Mexican Who Was Notori-
ous as a Killer of Men.

Gen. Gabillondo, a noted Mexican, died
recently in Nogales, Ariz. The remains
were followed to the grave by but few
persons.

Gabillondo's history is a checkered
one and liberally splashed with human
blood. He was perhaps the most gen-
erally despised man in Mexico, the late
Gen. Carbor not excepted. He was the
inhuman brute who butchered Capt.
Crabb and his party at Caborica in 1856.
At that time Gen. Pasqueira was gov-
ernor of Sonora and was very unsatis-
factory to the masses. To hold on he
inaugurated a revolution and sur-
rounded himself with some of the most
bloodthirsty villains in the state, Gab-
illondo being one of the leaders. Capt.
Crabb lived in California, but was mar-
ried to a Mexican lady who belonged
to a prominent family. The story is
that through her Gov. Pasqueira in-
duced Crabb to raise a command of
Americans to go into Sonora and assist
him in gaining a victory over the op-
position. Capt. Crabb raised a party,
sending a portion by water to Liber-
tad, on the Gulf of California, and with
about 1,000 mounted men came across
the country, expecting to join the
others on the gulf coast. Soon after
he got on the field Pasqueira crushed
his foes, and, knowing that he would
be severely criticised for calling Ameri-
cans to his aid, denied having anything
to do with bringing Crabb and his men
into the country. He sent Gabillondo
and his battalion to escort Crabb and
his party back on American soil.

In the meantime Crabb had started
back, but was overtaken by Gabillondo
and his troops at Caborica. Without
warning the latter opened fire on
Crabb's party, and a brisk fight took
place, several being killed on each side.
Crabb and his men took shelter in the
old church, and, though largely in the
minority, made it warm for Gabillondo.
Finally the latter, under cover of a flag
of truce, proposed that if the Ameri-
cans would lay down their arms he
would peacefully escort them to the
American line. Crabb complied, but
no sooner had they laid down their
arms than they were formed in line,
marched to the south side of the
church, made to stand back up against
the wall, and all of them shot, except
a boy 17 years old, who managed to es-
cape. Some time after Crabb's tragic
death his wife returned to Mexico, and
was stabbed to death from behind one
night while walking along the street
in Guaymas. It was always thought
that the deed was done by an agent of
Pasqueira and Gabillondo, because she
knew too much about Crabb's going
into Mexico.

Several other murders were credited
to Gabillondo, including the brutal mur-
der of customs officers while he was
collector at Casabe. His latest escape
was the murder of a prominent
merchant at Imuris recently, who had
been elected president of the town.
Gabillondo and his son hired a police-
man to call the merchant and shoot
him. When arrested the policeman
told the whole story, and he was then
killed by young Gabillondo, who es-
caped to the City of Mexico, where he
died recently. The death of the old
man wipes out the Gabillondo family,
and no regrets are expressed on either
side of the line, and especially among
Americans.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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torney for the Southern district of New
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graduate and 32 years old.

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treasurer of the W. C. U., and a very
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doses and is more thorough. I shall use
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and it will prove hollow throughout,
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the other end would prove sound
throughout.

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Dawson

HENRY VENTRELL, one of the pioneers
of illustrated literature in England, died
at Heathcote, Farnham, on New Year's
morning. He assisted many on the road
to fortune, but died penniless.

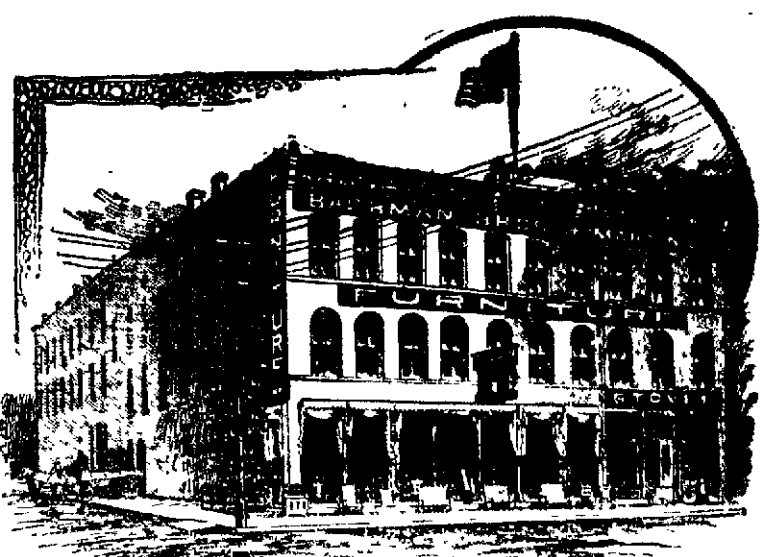
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No better cure for dyspepsia.
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H. Dawson.

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this week at Norfolk, Va., at the age of
33, was one of three brothers, all of whom
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taxes, made in pursuance of law in the county
of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 30th day
of June, A. D. 1894, for the taxes for the year 1891,
I purchased the following described land to-wit:
The North half of lot three (3) in the southeast
quarter of the Northeast quarter, section two (2),
township sixteen (16), north range, east of the
line of the city of Decatur, in the county of
Macon, state of Illinois, and that the time of the redemption
thereof will expire on the 30th day of June,
A. D. 1894. feb5d3w M. F. MURPHY.

Redemption Notice.

To George Winston and the owners and parties
interested in the lands or lots hereinafter
described:

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and town lots for state, county and special
taxes, made in pursuance of law in the county
of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 30th day
of July, A. D. 1892, for the taxes for the year
1891, I purchased the following described
land to-wit: Lot fifteen (15), block one (1), of
the third (3) of the city of Decatur, in the county
of Macon, state of Illinois, and that the time of the redemption
thereof will expire on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1894.
feb5d3w M. F. MURPHY.

Redemption Notice.

To David Davis and the owners and parties in-
terested in the lands or lots hereinafter de-
scribed:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands
and town lots for state, county and special
taxes, made in pursuance of law in the county
of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 30th day
of July, A. D. 1892, for the taxes for the year
1891, I purchased the following described land
to-wit: The West half of the east half of the
southwest quarter of section twenty-three (23),
township sixteen (16), north range, east of the
line of the city of Decatur, in the county of
Macon, state of Illinois, and that the time of the redemption
thereof will expire on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1894.
feb5d3w M. F. MURPHY.

Redemption Notice.

To T. Smith and the owners and parties inter-
ested in the lands or lots hereinafter de-
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taxes, made in pursuance of law in the county
of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 30th day
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1891, I purchased the following described land
to-wit: Lot seven (7), E. F. Kinsale's recovery of
lot eight (8), northeast quarter of the northeast
quarter of section ten (10), township sixteen (16),
north, range two (2) east of the third (3) of
the city of Decatur, in the county of Macon,
state of Illinois, and that the time of the redemption
thereof will expire on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1894.
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Redemption Notice.

To Thomas Wagonbarger and the owners and
parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter
described:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands
and town lots for state, county and special
taxes, made in pursuance of law in the county
of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 30th day
of July, A. D. 1892, for the taxes for the year
1891, I purchased the following described land
to-wit: Lot twenty-three (23), block one (1), South-
eastern addition to the city of Decatur, in the
county of Macon, state of Illinois, and that the time of the redemption
thereof will expire on the 30th day of July, A. D.
1894. feb5d3w M. F. MURPHY.

Administrators' Notice.

Estate of W. E. Gorman, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed ad-
ministrator of the estate of W. E. Gorman,
deceased, hereby gives notice that he will ap-
pear before the County Court of Macon county,
Illinois, on the first Monday in March next, at
which time all persons having claims against
said estate are notified and requested to
present the same for payment. All persons in-
debted to said estate are notified and requested
to make immediate payment to said administrator.
Dated the 10th day of January, 1894.
JAN 17-43w
ANDREW W. MILLER,
Administrator.

Notice of the March Term, the Wagon-
barger and the owners and parties interested in the
lands or lots hereinafter described, will be held at the
Court House in the City of Decatur, Illinois, on the
first Monday in March next, at which time all persons
having claims against said estate are notified and requested
to present the same for payment. All persons in-
debted to said estate are notified and requested to make
immediate payment to said administrator. Dated the 10th
day of January, 1894. J. E. Wagonbarger, Administrator.

THE GERMAN CAPITAL

Chancellor Von Caprivi's Parliamentary Dinner.

BLINDNESS OF THE CONSERVATIVES.

The Entente Between Russia and Germany—Due to the Czar's Late Illness—The Bismarckian Press—Financial Reform, Etc.

Chancellor Von Caprivi's Parliamentary Dinner.

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BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Chancellor von Caprivi's parliamentary dinner this evening will be a grand function, attended not only by all the cabinet ministers, but also by an unusual number of imperial deputies. Members of the opposition say that the dinner will mark the climax of the chancellor's career, as within a month Freiherr von Loe, a strong Bismarckian, with an Agrarian policy, will replace him. Without doubt Loe enjoys the friendship of the emperor without concealing his bias toward the old chancellor, but in designating him as the immediate successor to the chancellorship the conservatives simply show the party's utter lack of capable men whom they could select to lead the imperial government.

The Blindness of the Conservatives.
Gen. von Loe has political prejudices, but no reputation as a statesman. He has the emperor's esteem, but that esteem concerns chiefly his ability as a soldier. Nothing seems to open the eyes of the conservatives to the fact that their violent attack upon Von Caprivi tends to strengthen his official position. The dinner at the Chancellery to-night will preclude the presentation of the Russian commercial treaty in the reichstag. The emperor, who feels that his personal policy has been censured through the aspersions cast on the chancellor, has intimated his intention to be present immediately after the dinner, and it is expected that he will seize the opportunity to dispel the conservative delusion that he cares less for the fate of the treaty than he does for Caprivi.

The close friends of the minister believe that the conservative, if once thoroughly convinced of the emperor's approval of the treaty, would moderate their opposition. Apart from any results likely to arise from the emperor's personal influence, the government can reckon on obtaining thirty majority for the treaty.

The certainty that the commercial entente between Russia and Germany will be restored may have much to do with the origin of the report that Emperor William and the czar are likely to meet next summer. It is well known, however, that Count Schouvaloff, the Russian ambassador here, and Count von Caprivi are eager to establish more cordial relations between St. Petersburg and Berlin, and have been seeking means of strengthening and extending the entente. The Bismarckian press says that the emperor's visits to England, although obviously devoid of political significance, excited the ill-feeling of the Russian court toward him, and that a friendly meeting of the two sovereigns on Russian ground would do much to remove the misunderstanding. Such a meeting, Bismarckian journals say, is now reported to be the intention of both governments.

Due to the Czar's Late Illness.
Reports from St. Petersburg indicate that the czar's late illness was indirectly responsible for the speedy indorsement of the draft of the commercial convention. At the last moment, Dr. Witt, finance minister, opposed the concessions which had been approved by the Russian commissioners in Berlin. The czar so intensely irritated by this turn of affairs that his physicians advised the immediate settlement of the question for the sake of his majesty's health. Dr. Witt bowed to their advice and abandoned his opposition.

Modified Tone of the Bismarckian Press.
In an interview with the United Press correspondent yesterday, Dr. Miquel, Prussian minister of finance, spoke of the Russian treaty and Bismarck's visit to Berlin. He said: "The immediate effect of Bismarck's visit is noticeable in the tone of the so-called Bismarckian press which has often worked against the government in the last four years. This press was really without relations to Bismarck and its adverse criticisms will now be promptly disavowed. Bismarck's visit was a great historical event and will be of lasting benefit to the country. I hope that the efforts of the press to raise differences between him and Chancellor von Caprivi will now cease."

Dr. Miquel's Financial Reform Bill.
Dr. Miquel said that, as far as he knew, Prince Bismarck, while unfriendly to the reciprocity policy in general, would consider it a grave political error to reject the commercial treaty with Russia after having accepted the treaty with Austria-Hungary. Dr. Miquel fears that he will not obtain sufficient support in the reichstag to pass his financial reform bill, but thinks he will get enough to cover the new military expenditures. With or without him, he said, the reforms that he had proposed were bound to be adopted some day.

Influence has been lessened. In denying that Count Herbert will replace Prince Bismarck as German ambassador in Vienna, the Munich Allegemein Zeitung says:

"Count Herbert Bismarck resisted in 1890 the overtures of the emperor and the chancellor who wished him take a diplomatic post. He preferred to preserve his complete independence of action, and there is no reason why he should now abandon his independence for the sterile honor of representing a policy opposed to all his convictions."

The Charity Ball.
The annual charity ball at the Royal opera-house was held on Friday under the patronage of the emperor and empress. All the highest representatives of Berlin society were present. The crowd, although so enormous as to block every part of the house, was well regulated and well behaved. The court, presided by Count von Herberberg, the royal intendant-general of theaters, appeared in the central box at 9 o'clock. Pages walked in front of the imperial pair. As the fanfare was sounded the emperor and empress descended from the box to the floor of the house, and there opened the ball by walking around to the strains of a polka.

In the diplomatic boxes opposite the emperor were Theo Runyon, United States ambassador, Chapman Coleman and John Jackson, secretaries of the United States embassy, and their wives, and the Evans and Freeland families. United States Consul Edwards and the deputy consul had a box in the first tier. On Wednesday the Runyons and the entire staff of the United States embassy attended the court ball in the white room of the old castle. A special feature of the ball was the revival of the minuet as it was danced in Versailles in 1774. The dancers wore the costumes of the eighteenth century.

Will Present His Letters of Recall.
Prince Russ left for Vienna on Thursday, nominally on a six weeks' leave of absence from his post in the German embassy. He will return merely to present to the emperor his letters of recall.

The engagement of Miss Frazer, of Philadelphia, and Lieut. Freiherr von Kessler is announced.

Elliott Schneick, the pianist, has given several successful concerts here. He will return to New York in April.

MARDI GRAS IN NEW ORLEANS.

Distinguished Visitors at the Crescent City.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 4.—With the approach of the carnival festivities there is always an influx of distinguished visitors. This year they have come in large numbers. Dick Croker, the Tammany chieftain, got in this morning with his family. Mayor Daugherty of Dubuque, Ia., came down with Gov. Gray, of that city. Gov. Flower of New York is expected at 10 o'clock to-night. At that hour a reception will be held at Washington artillery hall. A large delegation of the old guard of New York city will arrive at the same time.

The Boston Lancers, 120 strong, arrived at 7:30 o'clock this morning in command of Col. H. D. Andrews. The Continental guards, in command of Capt. Charles W. Brown, were on hand to receive the Boston military. After exchange of greeting, the Continentals escorted them to the steamer Bell, which was lying at the wharf in front of the depot. A sumptuous breakfast was served on board of the boat. It was 10:30 o'clock before she cast off her moorings, and about twenty minutes later the boat was making a landing at the head of Canal street. The Louisiana field artillery, headed by Capt. Beahm, were on hand and two detachments fired a salute.

The Governor's Grays, of Dubuque, commanded by Capt. W. H. Thrift, came in this morning over the Illinois Central, arriving here at 11:30. They were met by Company B, of the fifth battalion, and the Crescent rifles. At the depot there were fully a thousand people assembled to welcome the visiting soldiers. They were received with great cheers, and accompanied by the local soldiers as an escort of honor, marched to the Military club on Canal street, which will be their headquarters while here.

The festivities to-morrow will be inaugurated by the arrival of King Rex, the Boston Lancers acting as the body-guard of his majesty.

Monday night the Krew of Porteus will appear, and on Mardi Gras the Rex pageant will appear, followed at night by the Mystic Crew of Comus.

Death of Ex-United States Senator Wilkinson.
MANHATTAN, Minn., Feb. 4.—The death of ex-United States Senator Morton H. Wilkinson occurred to-day at his home in Wells. Senator Wilkinson was born in Skaneateles, N. Y., January 29, 1819. He moved to Minnesota in 1847, and in 1859 he was chosen United States Senator from this state. He was a delegate to the Baltimore convention in 1864, and was a personal adviser of Abraham Lincoln, and when defeated for a second term, Abraham Lincoln stated through the press that Wilkinson's defeat was a national calamity. Wilkinson gained national fame while in Congress. He preferred charges of disloyalty to the government against J. D. Bright, of Indiana, and, although the charges were not sustained by the judiciary committee, Bright was expelled from Congress.

The Decrease in the Treasury Balance.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The net treasury balance yesterday decreased nearly \$1,000,000. At the close of business the gold holdings stood at \$68,411,050; currency \$14,531,038.

Assigned.
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 4.—The Nashville Electric railway made an assignment yesterday afternoon. The road has been losing money steadily. Its debts are placed at \$900,000.

Died.
PARIS, Feb. 5.—Prof. Fremy died at his home in Paris Saturday evening. He was 80 years old.

STREET NOTES.

—The factory business at Detroit, Mich., is looking up.

—Representative Hatch of Missouri will introduce his anti-option bill in the house this week.

—On the 3d the banks of New York held \$111,023,000 in excess of the requirements of the 25-per-cent rule.

—The carnival festivities at New Orleans opened to-day with the arrival of the king. The city is full of visitors from all sections of the country.

—William Baker has been arrested in Nashville, Tenn., for the murder of old man Brade et al., which occurred in Russell county, Va., four years ago.

—The steamer San Blas arrived at San Francisco Saturday with an immense consignment of coffee. She reports that the Central America coffee crop this season will be very large.

—The Pioneer Pottery Co. of Wellsville, O., acceded to the demands of the striking potters, and work will resume at the old wages immediately. One hundred and fifty men are employed.

—Gov. Rich of Michigan has given Secretary of State John M. State Treasurer Hamblin and Commissioner of the Land Office Berry until to-morrow to decide whether they will hand in their resignations or be re-elected.

—Tory papers publish a rumor that there is a split in the cabinet on the question of the continuance of the British protectorate over Uganda, in Africa, Mr. Gladstone having differed with Lord Roseberry, the foreign secretary.

—While out driving Friday evening the duchess of Manchester, who is temporarily sojourning in Pau, France, was thrown from her carriage. She struck against a stone wall and her face and hand were cut. Her injuries are not serious.

—The weekly statements of the New York associated banks, issued Saturday, show the following changes: Reserve, increase, \$7,000,000; loans, increase, \$750,000; specie, increase, \$2,000,000; legal tenders, increase, \$945,000; deposits, increase, \$4,114,000; circulation, decrease, \$74,300.

—The French prime minister and the president of the chamber of deputies support the application that has been made to President Carnot for a commutation of the sentence of death passed upon Auguste Vaillant, the anarchist, who, on December 9, threw a bomb in the chamber of deputies.

—Dave Buchhorn, the rustler, escaped from a Minnesota jail Thursday night by knocking Jailer Leonard down with a piece of stove. Two cowboys heavily armed mounted their bronchos and started on his tracks, with lanterns and succeeded in capturing him, after tracking him thirty-five miles.

—A memorial meeting of the St. Louis merchants' exchange was held to-day, at which addresses eulogistic of the qualities of the late Alvaro T. Hart were made. The resolutions were delivered by Ex-Gov. Stanford, Nathan Cole, Wm. M. Samuel and Capt. Mason, and resolutions of respect were passed.

AN ABANDONED BABE.

Cradled in a Satchel and Left in a Car at the Union Depot in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Feb. 5.—A baby about one week old was found in a satchel in a car at the Union depot Saturday morning. The child was alive, holes being cut in the satchel to give it air. The car in which the infant was found was the chair-car of the Frisco train, which arrived from the west at 6:30 o'clock Saturday morning. Fred Woerle, a private watchman for the Terminal Railroad association, was the discoverer. He was going through the train after the passengers had left the coaches, as is the custom, when he espied the supposedly-forgotten baggage beneath the seat in the chair-car.

He picked it up and a subdued sound resembling an infant's cry startled him. Examining the satchel he found the holes cut in the side of it and he made up his mind that it was a case of abandoned babe. The watchman took the satchel to Depot Matron Mrs. Fraser, who opened it and discovered a bright male child not over a week old. A bottle of milk with a nursing apparatus was with the child. The infant was neatly dressed in white and wrapped in a child's blanket, which had a border of red. Mrs. Fraser gave the baby into the charge of Sergt. O'Malley, and he assigned Officer Kassing to take it to St. Ann's asylum at Tenth and Biddle streets.

The police will endeavor to find out who left the infant, though there is not much likelihood that they will be successful. The train was a through train from California. The satchel is of a black material, twenty-two inches long, a foot wide and ten inches deep.

A SPECIAL AGENT FROM ROME.

To Look After the Interests of the Rapidly-Increasing Italian Catholics in America.

New York, Feb. 5.—So rapid has been the immigration of Italian Catholics to this country and South America, it has been deemed advisable by the propaganda in Rome to delegate a representative to look after their interests in the western world. It is understood that this step will be taken on the advice of Mgr. Satolli. In pursuance of the plan, Father Joseph Vincentini, of the Roman Catholic order of St. Charles Borromeo, has been sent from Rome. He has just arrived in this city. He is looking over the ground preparatory to entering upon his work. After he has accomplished a portion of the work laid out for him in North America, he will go to South America to investigate the condition of the church there, so far as Italians are concerned. He will visit Argentina especially, which country has lately been the Mecca to which many Italians have gone, and where that element of the church is the strongest in South America.

A Brazilian Transport Captured.
BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 4.—A dispatch from Brazil confirms the report that the insurgent have captured the government transport Itapu. She was forced by the insurgent war ship Republics to haul down her flag. Admiral Conceicao, who was aboard the Itapu, was made a prisoner.

Lost Three of Her Crew.
GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 5.—The schooner Orpheus, arrived Saturday evening from Newfoundland, with the loss of Thomas Hamlin, Ramon Bourke and Julian Rowe, three of the crew, who were washed overboard Tuesday while reefing sails.

Masonic Temple Burned.
FAYETTE, Mo., Feb. 5.—Yesterday afternoon destroyed the Masonic temple, entailing a loss of \$25,000. The heaviest losers are Mrs. J. W. Kilpatrick, Brown & Grigby and Payne & Williams.

Chas. L. Johnston

DECATUR, ILL.

ANNOUNCES A GREAT CONSOLIDATION SALE!

OF THE ENTIRE STOCK OF THE BOSTON STORE

Lately at 108 North Water Street, Next to Millikin's Bank.
Commencing Monday at 8 O'clock a. m.

And to continue until the entire stock is closed out regardless of value or cost. In this great sale we must sell at least

\$25,000.

Worth of goods to give us room as we are putting two Great Stocks of Goods together into one room, greatly overcrowding us as you can plainly see by looking along the shelves and over the Counters and Tables that are all covered with goods. The Stock on Sale consists of Dress Goods, Silks, Satins, Velvets, Plushes, Broadcloths, Dress Linings, White Goods, Ginghams, Calicoes, Bed Spreads, Table Linens, Crash, Towels, Stamped Linens, Sheetings, Shirtings, Jeans, Bed Ticking, Denim, Yarns, Zephyrs, Table Oil Cloths, Blankets, Comforts, Table Covers, Lace Bed Sets, Ladies' Wool Shirts, Ladies' Facinators, Ladies' Ice Wool Shawls, Ladies' and Gent's Umbrellas, Jewels, Corsets, Kid Gloves, Cashmere Gloves, Muslin Underwear, Merino and Wool Underwear, Wool and Cotton Hosiery, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Spool Cotton, Spool Silk, Knitting Silk, Ladies' Children's, and Men's Shoes, Rubbers, Arctic Overshoes, Men's Work and Dress Shirts, Men's Linen Collars and Cuff, and Ties, Night Shirts, Suspenders, Socks, Driving and Dress Gloves, Lace Curtains, Window Shades, Carpets, Oil Cloths and Linoleum, Mattings, and one Entire Stock of Ladies' and Children's Cloaks to go at Half Regular Price During this Great Sale. This Sale gives an opportunity seldom offered to purchase Dry Goods etc., at these prices to be on hand early in the week as our store will be crowded and the best bargains will go first as usual.

NOTE—An extra force of clerks will be on hand to wait on our customers and goods will be delivered to any part of the city.

NOTE—Everything just as advertised in this Great Sale. Be on hand early as our sale will commence at 8 o'clock.

Sale Prices.

Coats best spool cotton, 3 1/2c per spool.
100 yards spool silk at 5c per spool.
Barbours linen thread (odd numbers) 5c a spool.
Cabinet hair pins 3c per cabinet.
Best needles at 3c a paper.
Good pins at 3c a paper.
Rubber hair pins at 3c each, (10c kind.)

Prints and Ginghams.

Best American shirting prints at 3 1/2c a yard.
Best Indigo blue calico at 3 1/2c a yard, 10 yards to each customer.
Best 8 1/2c apron check gingham at 4 1/2c a yard, 10 yards to each customer.
Best 12 1/2c and 15c Dress Style Ginghams at 7 1/2c a yard.
50c Corsets cut to 39c.
75c " " 48c.
\$1.00 " " 69c.
Carpet Chain colored or white all cut to 19c a pound.
\$1.25 Quality Gray Blankets cut to 99c.
\$1.25 Quality Bed Comforts cut to 69c.
\$1.25 Wool Skirt Patterns cut to 69c each.
Children's Fancy Elderdown Caps were 75c now 38c.
Metal Black 35c Combs at 9c each.
Ladies' \$1.35, 1.50, and 2.00 Ice Wool Facinators at 95c.
Ladies' Wool Hoods at about half price.
Ice Wool Black or cream at 11c a box.

Dress Silks.

Best \$2.00 Quality of Black Dress Silks go in this sale at \$1.19 a yard.
Best \$1.50 Quality of Black Dress Silks go at 98c a yard.
Best \$1.00 Quality of Black Dress Silks cut to 79c a yard.
75c Quality of Surrah Silks all colors cut to 48c.
75c Quality of China Silks go at 48c a yard.

Dress Goods.

Everything goes without profit or cost in this sale as we are overstocked.
\$1.00 Quality of Henriettes all colors and black reduced to 59c a yard.
65c Quality of Henriettes all colors and black cut to 59c a yard in our sale.
One Lot Assorted Novelty Goods have sold at 60c, 65, 75, and 85 a yard, all cut to 38c a yard.
One Lot 35c, 35, and 45 Novelty Selling all cut to 19c a yard in our sale.
\$1.25 Quality of Broadcloth all shades and black cut to 69c a yard.

Dress Linings.

Best 15c and 20c Silena cut to 9c a yard.
Best Skirt Cambric all colors cut to 4 1/2c a yard.
Dress Canvass 20c and 25c goods cut to 15c.
Dress Stays 15c and 20c kind at 9c a set.

Umbrellas.

98c will buy choice of One Lot Ladies' Natural Wood or Metal Handle Silk Umbrellas that have sold at \$1.50, 1.50 and \$3.00 each.
63c will buy a Good Heavy Storm Umbrella that have sold at \$1.35 to \$1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00, 10.50, 11.00, 11.50, 12.00, 12.50, 13.00, 13.50, 14.00, 14.50, 15.00, 15.50, 16.00, 16.50, 17.00, 17.50, 18.00, 18.50, 19.00, 19.50, 20.00, 20.50, 21.00, 21.50, 22.00, 22.50, 23.00, 23.50, 24.00, 24.50, 25.00, 25.50, 26.00, 26.50, 27.00, 27.50, 28.00, 28.50, 29.00, 29.50, 30.00, 30.50, 31.00, 31.50, 32.00, 32.50, 33.00, 33.50, 34.00, 34.50, 35.00, 35.50, 36.00, 36.50, 37.00, 37.50, 38.00, 38.50, 39.00, 39.50, 40.00, 40.50, 41.00, 41.50, 42.00, 42.50, 43.00, 43.50, 44.00, 44.50, 45.00, 45.50, 46.00, 46.50, 47.00, 47.50, 48.00, 48.50, 49.00, 49.50, 50.00, 50.50, 51.00, 51.50, 52.00, 52.50, 53.00, 53.50, 54.00, 54.50, 55.00, 55.50, 56.00, 56.50, 57.00, 57.50, 58.00, 58.50, 59.00, 59.50, 60.00, 60.50, 61.00, 61.50, 62.00, 62.50, 63.00, 63.50, 64.00, 64.50, 65.00, 65.50, 66.00, 66.50, 67.00, 67.50, 68.00, 68.50, 69.00, 69.50, 70.00, 70.50, 71.00, 71.50, 72.00, 72.50, 73.00, 73.50, 74.00, 74.50, 75.00, 75.50, 76.00, 76.50, 77.00, 77.50, 78.00, 78.50, 79.00, 79.50, 80.00, 80.50, 81.00, 81.50, 82.00, 82.50, 83.00, 83.50, 84.00, 84.50, 85.00, 85.50, 86.00, 86.50, 87.00, 87.50, 88.00, 88.50, 89.00, 89.50, 90.00, 90.50, 91.00, 91.50, 92.00, 92.50, 93.00, 93.50, 94.00, 94.50, 95.00, 95.50, 96.00, 96.50, 97.00, 97.50, 98.00, 98.50, 99.00, 99.50, 100.00, 100.50, 101.00, 101.50, 102.00, 102.50, 103.00, 103.50, 104.00, 104.50, 105.00, 105.50, 106.00, 106.50, 107.00, 107.50, 108.00, 108.50, 109.00, 109.50, 110.00, 110.50, 111.00, 111.50, 112.00, 112.50, 113.00, 113.50, 114.00, 114.50, 115.00, 115.50, 116.00, 116.50, 117.00, 117.50, 118.00, 118.50, 119.00, 119.50, 120.00, 120.50, 121.00, 121.50, 122.00, 122.50, 123.00, 123.50, 124.00, 124.50, 125.00, 125.50, 126.00, 126.50, 127.00, 127.50, 128.00, 128.50, 129.00, 129.50, 130.00, 130.50, 131.00, 131.50, 132.00, 132.50, 133.00, 133.50, 134.00, 134.50, 135.00, 135.50, 136.00, 136.50, 137.00, 137.50, 138.00, 138.50, 139.00, 139.50, 140.00, 140.50, 141.00, 141.50, 142.00, 142.50, 143.00, 143.50, 144.00, 144.50, 145.00, 145.50, 146.00, 146.50, 147.00, 147.50, 148.00, 148.50, 149.00, 149.50, 150.00, 150.50, 151.00, 151.50, 152.00, 152.50, 153.00, 153.50, 154.00, 154.50, 155.00, 155.50, 156.00, 156.50, 157.00, 157.50, 158.00, 158.50, 159.00, 159.50, 160.00, 160.50, 161.00, 161.50, 162.00, 162.50, 163.00, 163.50, 164.00, 164.50, 165.00, 165.50, 166.00, 166.50, 167.00, 167.50, 168.00, 168.50, 169.00, 169.50, 170.00, 170.50, 171.00, 171.50, 172.00, 172.50, 173.00, 173.50, 174.00, 174.50, 175.00, 175.50, 176.00, 176.50, 177.00, 177.50, 178.00, 178.50, 179.00, 179.50, 180.00, 180.50, 181.00, 181.50, 182.00, 182.50, 183.00, 183.50, 184.00, 184.50, 185.00, 185.50, 186.00, 186.50, 187.00, 187.50, 188.00, 188.50, 189.00, 189.50, 190.00, 190.50, 191.00, 191.50, 192.00, 192.50, 193.00, 193.50, 194.00, 194.50, 195.00, 195.50, 196.00, 196.50, 197.00, 197.50, 198.00, 198.50, 199.00, 199.50, 200.00, 200.50, 201.00, 201.50, 202.00, 202.50, 203.00, 203.50, 204.00, 204.50, 205.00, 205.50, 206.00, 206.50, 207.00, 207.50, 208.00, 208.50, 209.00, 209.50, 210.00, 210.50, 211.00, 211.50, 212.00, 212.50, 213.00, 213.50, 214.00, 214.50, 215.00, 215.50, 216.00, 216.50, 217.00, 217.50, 218.00, 218.50, 219.00, 219.50, 220.00, 220.50, 221.00, 221.50, 222.00, 222.50, 223.00, 223.50, 224.00, 224.50, 225.00, 225.50, 226.00, 226.50, 227.00, 227.50, 228.00, 228.50, 229.00, 229.50, 230.00, 230.50, 231.00, 231.50, 232.00, 232.50, 233.00, 233.50, 234.00, 234.50, 235.00, 235.50, 236.00, 236.50, 237.00, 237.50, 238.00, 238.50, 239.00, 239.50, 240.00, 240.50, 241.00, 241.50, 242.00, 242.50, 243.00, 243.50, 244.00, 244.50, 245.00, 245.50, 246.00, 246.50, 247.00, 247.50, 248.00, 248.50, 249.00, 249.50, 250.00, 250.50, 251.00, 251.50, 252.00, 252.50, 253.00, 253.50, 254.00, 254.50, 255.00, 255.50, 256.00, 256.50, 257.00, 257.50, 258.00, 258.50, 259.00, 259.50, 260.00, 260.50, 261.00, 261.50, 262.00, 262.50, 263.00, 263.50, 264.00, 264.50, 265.00, 265.50, 266.00, 266.50, 267.00, 267.50, 268.00, 268.50, 269.00, 269.50, 270.00, 270.50, 271.00, 271.50, 272.00, 272.50, 273.00, 273.50, 274.00, 274.50, 275.00, 275.50, 276.00, 276.50, 277.00, 277.50, 278.00, 278.50, 279.00, 279.50, 280.00, 280.50, 281.00, 281.50, 282.00, 282.50, 283.00, 283.50, 284.00, 284.50, 285.00, 285.50, 286.00, 286.50, 287.00, 287.50, 288.00, 288.50, 289.00, 289.50, 290.00, 290.50, 291.00, 291.50, 292.00, 292.50, 293.00, 293.50, 294.00, 294.50, 295.00, 295.50, 296.00, 296.50, 297.00, 297.50, 298.00, 298.50, 299.00, 299.50, 300.00, 300.50, 301.00, 301.50, 302.00, 302.50, 303.00, 303.50, 304.00, 304.50, 305.00, 305.50, 306.00, 306.50, 307.00, 307.50, 308.00, 308.50, 309.00, 309.50, 310.00, 310.50, 311.00, 311.50, 312.00, 312.50, 313.00, 313.50, 314.00, 314.50, 315.00, 315.50, 316.00, 316.50, 317.00, 317.50, 318.00, 318.50, 319.00, 319.50, 320.00, 320.50, 321.00, 321.50, 322.00

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Linen Department.

All our stamped linens go regardless
of cost in this sale.
Scarfs, Splashes, Tildies and Throws
to go.
Table Linen value 60c, 65, 70, cut 39c
a yard.
Table Linen value 75c, 85, 90, cut to
a yard.
Oil Red Damask value 30c, and 35c,
cut to 22c a yard.
Plaid 15c Crash cut to 9c a yard.
Other Crash at 5c, 6, 7, 8, and 9 a
yard.

MUSLINS.
Special low prices on Muslins.
Lonsdale Muslin at 7 1/2c.
Fruit of the L. on Muslin at 7 1/2c.
Sewer Muslin at 5, 6, 7, 8c yard.
Wide Sheetings 25c quality on sale at
15c yard.
Pillow casings, 42 and 45 inches wide
on sale at 9 1/2 and 11c yard.

BED SPREADS
One lot (10 doz) Bed Spreads extra
large.
Regular \$3.00 goods on sale at 98c.
One lot \$1.25 goods on sale at 89c.

TOWELS.
Greatest values ever offered.
15c will buy choice of our Elegant
Line of Knotted Fringe or Hemstitched
Towels sold at 25c, 30, 35, 39 each.
11c will buy choice of Elegant Line
of Towels sold at 15c, 20 and 23 each.
Some extra values at 8c, 9, and 10
each.

Gloaks.

Our entire cloak stock must go in this
sale regardless of value. Come and see
them.
\$10.00 will buy in this sale choice of
all our ladies' elegant Cloaks and Capes
that have sold at \$15.50, 16.00, 16.50,
17.50, 20.00, 22.50.
\$7.50 will buy in this sale choice of all
our ladies' choice Cloaks that we have
sold at \$10.00, 12.50, 13.50, 14.50, 15.00.
Ladies' plush Cloaks were \$20.00, cut
to 15.00.
Ladies' plush Cloaks were \$25.00, cut
to 15.50.
Ladies' plush Cloaks were \$30.00, cut
to 10.00.
All children's Cloaks go at about half
price as we are not going to carry a
cloak over to next season.
Now is your chance to get a cloak at
your own price.

Furs.

All our Furs go with the rest.
Ladies' black hare Capes, extra large,
sold at \$15.00, cut to 7.50.
Ladies' \$7.50 quality Capes go at 3.95.
Black hare Muffs, sold at 75c and \$1.00
cut to 35c.
Ladies' Electric seal Muffs, sold at
\$4.00, cut to 1.95.
Ladies' Opposum Muffs were \$3.00,
now 1.19.
Child's Fur Sets go at about half price.

Shoes.

Advance sale of ladies' Shippers and
low shoes for Summer wear.
\$3.00 low shoes cut to 1.95.
\$2.50 low shoes cut to 1.48.
\$2.00 low shoes cut to 1.25.
One lot ladies' \$2.00 button kid shoes
cut to 1.19 in this sale.



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CASH OR EASY PAYMENTS

The Best Shoes for the Least Money.

W. L. DOUGLAS
\$3 SHOE GENUINE WELT.

Squeakless, Bottom Waterproof, Best Shoe sold at the price.
\$5, \$4 and \$3.50 Dress Shoe.
Equal custom work, costing from \$6 to \$8.
\$3.50 Police Shoe, 3 Soles.
Best Walking Shoe ever made.
\$2.50, and \$2 Shoes.
Unexcelled at the price.
Boys \$2 & \$1.75 School Shoes.
Are the best for service.

LADIES'
\$3, \$2.50, \$2, \$1.75
Best Dongola, Stylish, Perfect
Fitting and Serviceable, Best
in the world. All Styles.
Enlist upon having W. L.
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THIS IS THE BEST \$3 SHOE IN THE WORLD.
ALL THE LATEST STYLES.

DEALERS who push the sale of W. L. Douglas Shoes gain customers,
which helps to increase the sales on their full line of goods. They can
sell to sell at a loss profit, and we believe you can save money by buying all your
footwear of the dealer advertised below. Catalogue free upon application.

For Sale by **H. W. WAGGONER & CO.**

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WEAK, NERVOUS AND DISEASED MEN

The most Successful and Scientific Treatment of all diseases and
weakness of mankind possible to obtain. Thousands of young and
middle aged men are annually swept to premature graves through early
excesses and later excesses. Self abuse and Constitutional Blood
diseases have ruined and wrecked the life of many a promising young
man. Have you any of the following symptoms: Nervous and Despond-
ent; Tired in Morning; No Ambition; Memory Poor; Easily Fatigued;
Faint and Irritable; Eyes Blue; Pimples on the Face; Dreams and
Fancies at Night; Restless; Haggard Looking; Blotches; Sore Throat;
Blasphemy; Pains in Body; Sunken Eye; Lifelong Distrustful and
Lack of Energy and Strength; Our New Method Treatment will
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RAZED BY A CYCLONE

A Frightful Calamity at Gate City,
Alabama.

FIFTY PERSONS MORE OR LESS INJURED

By the Collapse of a Church in Which
a Christian Endeavor Meeting was
Being Held—Several Already
Dead—Other Damages.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 4.—A cyclone
swept over northern Mississippi, late
yesterday afternoon, leaving destruc-
tion in its path. The wires were pro-
truded, and it is impossible to secure
particulars except from a few points.
The wind came up from the southwest
and passed through the northeastern
portion of the state, crossing the Ala-
bama line near Columbus, Miss., where
the most serious damage is reported so
far. Half a dozen buildings were
wrecked in Columbus, trees uprooted,
fences blown down and the streets
strewn with debris. In the vicinity of
Macon and Artesia, Miss., the farmers
suffered great loss, but the extent of
the damage cannot be learned, owing
to the prostration of the wires. No
lives were lost as far as is known.

Worse Than at First Supposed.
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 5.—A special
to the Commercial from Birmingham,
Ala., says: Further details of Satur-
day's storm which swept over this sec-
tion of North Alabama shows the dam-
age to have been far greater than was
at first supposed.

At North Birmingham a dozen houses
were blown down. James Smith, a
railroad section foreman, was fatally
wounded by the roof of his house fall-
ing in. His wife and children escaped
with less serious injury.

At East Lake road three depots were
blown down.
The worst damage was at Gate City,
where, as stated in last night's dis-
patches, the Congregational church
was blown down. The Christian En-
deavor society, with fifty persons in
attendance, was holding a meeting and
not one of them escaped unhurt.

Mrs. R. H. Pritchard was crushed
by falling beams and died at mid-
night. She was the wife of the
superintendent of the Alabama
rolling mills, and her home was at Iron-
ton, O. A young man named Williams
died yesterday from his injuries. Mrs.
James Miles received fatal internal in-
juries; C. S. Drumheller was mortally
wounded; Charles Wilson will die
from his injuries; Richard Miles had
a leg broken; Will Bears' skull was
fractured; James Miles' knee was broken;
Miss Anna Birdsell's spine was in-
jured; James Hartshorn received per-
haps fatal injuries internally; Rever
East was badly hurt, and from thirty
to forty others received injuries of a
minor character.

When the hurricane struck the
church the building collapsed, the
roof falling in a solid mass on the con-
gregation. The strong pews partially
broke the fall, or every person in the
house would doubtless have been
crushed to death. Axes had to be used
in releasing many who were under the
debris.

Nearly every house in Gate City was
more or less damaged by the storm.
An immense amount of timber in the
track of the storm was destroyed. The
damage will amount to a large sum.

At East Birmingham a church and
school building was wrecked. Near
Choccolocco a tree fell on Mrs. J. F.
McDowell's house, killing her instantly.
Telegraph wires were blown down
and many trees fell across the railroad
tracks.

FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—After the reading of
yesterday's journal and the transaction of
some routine business, Mr. Money (dem.
Miss.) offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the house of representa-
tives of the United States of America regards with
pleasure and satisfaction the prompt action of
Rear Admiral Benham, on the 27th ult., in the
harbor of Rio de Janeiro in his efforts to pro-
tect the citizens and commerce of the United
States.

In connection with this he had read the dis-
patches from Benham and Thompson.
Mr. Money asked unanimous consent for its
immediate consideration, but Mr. Simpson ob-
jected.

Mr. Money appeared very much annoyed at
this action and called attention to the fact that
the objection did not come from a Democrat.
"But it comes from one who stands very
near the democratic party," replied Mr. Reed,
contentiously.

At 10:30 the morning hour expired, and the
special order providing for the consideration
of the Hawaiian resolution was read, and Mr.
Hitt was recognized to continue his speech,
which was interrupted by the announcement of
Benham. He related to the house the ac-
tion of a democratic member in introducing
this morning a resolution commending Admiral
Benham for firing upon a Brazilian vessel,
while there was already pending in the house
a resolution to blacklist the name of an Amer-
ican officer who never fired a gun and who
declared that his sole aim was to protect
American life and property.

As Mr. Hitt took his seat, a warm burst of
applause greeted him. The speaker then
recognized Mr. Rayner, a member of the for-
eign affairs committee.
One of Mr. Rayner's sentences miscarried
in adhering to the incident of the raising of
the American flag at Honolulu, he said Mr.
Stevens and his flag were like an Irishman
and his shillelagh: whenever you see a head but
it, and whenever you see a place to raise a flag
you will find the majority had brought charges
against an administration which had passed

into history. It was supposed that the
friends of the administration on the senate in-
vestigation committee would do all in their
power to shield the administration from the
charge which would be brought against it in
the tribunal of history, yet, from what could be
learned of the evidence given there, the find-
ing of the committee would be very different
from that which would be necessary to sup-
port the resolution of the foreign affairs com-
mittee.

Mr. Draper spoke in opposition to the ad-
ministration's Hawaiian policy. The proper
thing for the present administration to do, he
thought, was to negotiate a treaty of annexa-
tion with the provisional government. [Re-
publican applause.] This was not a blind
grab for territory, but was in pursuance of a
well-established plan of getting a foothold in
the Pacific, in order to get control of the Pa-
cific trade, and the United States alone had
been supreme. He pictured the gradual en-
croachment of the English flag in the Pacific
islands, and showed how the possession of
these islands in a chain were of incomparable
importance to Great Britain.

Taking this as a basis of his argument Mr.
Draper made a strong appeal in favor of the
adoption of this policy for the United States.

At the close of his speech Mr. Draper was
heavily applauded and congratulated, and
yielded the balance of his time to Mr. Morse.
Mr. Morse was interested in the Hawaiian is-
lands because the missionaries who civilized
Hawaii came from Massachusetts.

At the close of Mr. Morse's remarks Mr.
Johnson asked unanimous consent that the
time for demanding the previous question on
the Hawaiian resolution be extended from 4
o'clock Monday until the same hour Tuesday.
This was in order to give time for speaking of
the Hawaiian resolution. Consensus was
made and Mr. McCrary moved that when the
house adjourn to-day it be to meet at 10 o'clock
Monday.

Mr. Boettche said that a proposition had been
made to consider his privileged resolution im-
mediately after the pending question, and he
suggested that the vote on the pending resolu-
tion, and his privileged resolution be taken at
the same time—Monday at 4 o'clock. It was
finally decided to vote on both resolu-
tions at 3:30 Tuesday and that the house meet
at 11 o'clock on Monday and Tuesday.
The house then, at 5:30, adjourned.

CONGRESSIONAL FORECAST.

Measures that are likely to come be-
fore the Two Houses of Con-
gress this Week.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The tariff bill,
for a time having retired to the seclu-
sion of a senate committee room, the
features of the week in congress will
be the votes on the bill to repeal the
federal election laws in the senate, on
the McCrary Hawaiian resolution in the
house, and perhaps on the Stewart
resolution declaring against the pro-
posed treasury bond-issue in the sen-
ate.

The election laws repeal comes up in
the senate this afternoon, and is to be
discussed by Senators Chandler, Bate,
Hawley, Harris, Hoar, Frye and Vest.
By agreement, the discussion is to be
closed Tuesday at 4 o'clock when the
senate will proceed to vote on the bill
and pending amendments.

There may be a struggle for prece-
dence Wednesday, as Senator Teller has
given notice of his intention to call up
the celebrated McCarran bill, while
Senator Vest has given similar notice
respecting the bill to provide for the
erection of a new government printing
office. Either of these bills is sure to
give rise to debate, and many dif-
ficulties lie in wait for the printing of-
fice bill in particular, mainly because
the senate and house committees have
jurisdiction over the subject, have
fallen into a disagreement, respecting
the selection of a site.

Further promise for a lively day in
the senate Wednesday, is to be found
in the fact that the Stewart bond resolu-
tion will again be taken up in the
morning hour, with some chance of
finding a more permanent resting place
than the vice-president's table if the
discussion is not protracted beyond the
limits of the morning hour.

The interest in the executive sessions
during the week will depend largely
upon whether the committee on the
judiciary, which meets to-day, acts
upon the pending nomination of
Wheeler H. Peckham as associate jus-
tice of the supreme court.

Proceedings in the house of repre-
sentatives this week will have a vari-
ety that has been lacking for two
months past. After the vote on Tues-
day afternoon upon the resolutions re-
lating to Hawaii, Mr. Bland, of Mis-
souri, will call up the silver seignior-
age bill heretofore reported by him
from the committee on coinage,
weights and measures. By the provi-
sions of the bill the secretary of the
treasury is directed to issue \$55,000,000
of certificates representing the seignior-
age of the bullion now in the treasury
purchased under the law of 1890.

Mr. Bland is sanguine that the bill
will pass without serious opposition or
delay.

When the Bland bill is out of the
way (and probably not more than two
days at the outside will be given to its
consideration) the contested election
case of O'Neill vs. Joy, from the
Eleventh district of Missouri will come
up on the report of the committee on
elections, to oust Joy and seat O'Neill.
O'Neill will probably be seated by a
straight party vote of the house.

Should there be any time left after
these two matters are disposed of, the
house will be asked to consider the
fortifications bill, which has been on
the calendar since December 18.

Both Speaker Crisp and Chairman
Sayers are anxious that the record for
promptness made by the committee in
reporting bills shall be equalled by
the house in disposing of them and
they will make every effort to keep
these measures before the house. Be-
sides the appropriations bill, there are
on the calendar and will be considered
in the order named, the pension bill,
the District of Columbia bill and the
sundry civil bill.

Trouble in Chile.

SENATOR ALMER, Feb. 5.—A dispatch
from Santiago, Chile, says that a num-
ber of Chileans, who served as officers
under the late President Balmaceda,
made an attack the other day on the
artillery quarters in Santiago. The
attack was repelled and five of the as-
sailants were killed. Many arrests
were made.

A Heavy Defaulter.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 5.—William D. Loh-
man, the missing cashier of the excise
department, is a defaulter to the ex-
tent of \$12,000—money collected for
licenses during January, 1894, and not
turned over to the city government.
Lohman's bond is \$10,000.

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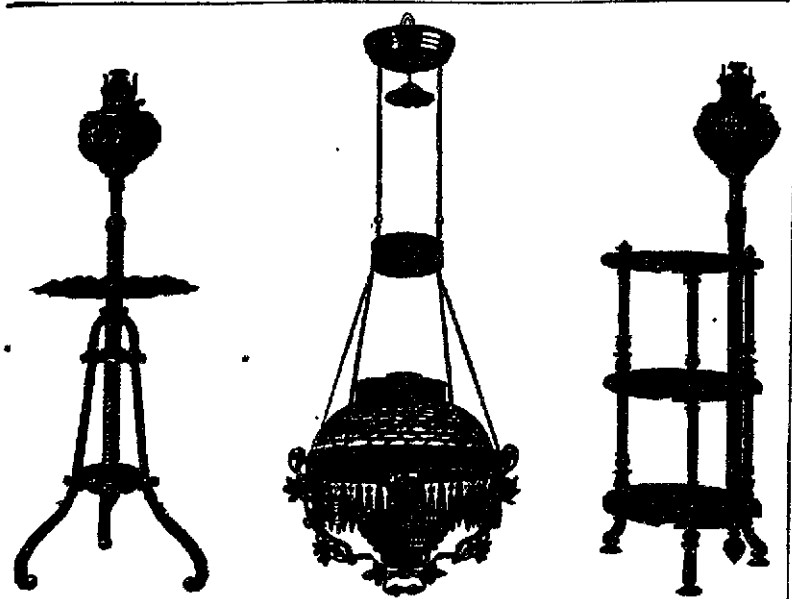
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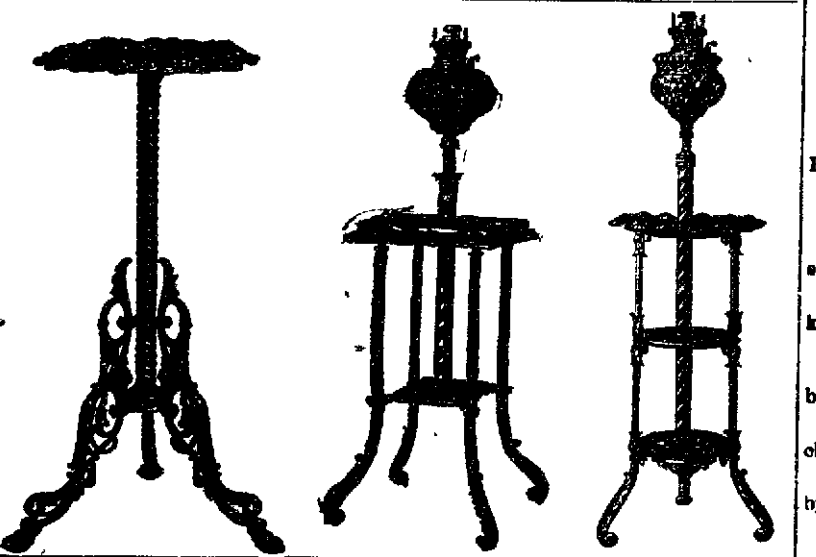
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It will pay you to take a look through our **ART ROOM** and learn how low we can sell goods when we want to unload. **IF YOU HAVE MONEY** it will do more now than ever before in your recollection.



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We presume that everybody understands that we cannot duplicate the offer we are now making on the James A. Banister fine shoes for men. The only reason why we are able to make the prices which we are now making on these goods is that we purchased them at 52¢ cents on the dollar of the wholesale cost price after the failure of Ferriss & Co. We therefore can offer them at the price we are now selling them at, although we do not expect and cannot hope that we will be able to replace these goods next year and sell them at anything like this money. The James A. Banister line of Men's Fine Shoes is famous the world over for correctness in style, thoroughness in workmanship, perfect in fit and high quality material. The Cordovan shoes are known under the various names of Horsehide, Coltskin, etc., and some people make a great talk about them as at a low price when they are sold regularly at \$4 and \$5 per pair. There are no better shoes of this kind than those of the Banister make and we are running them out, either Calf or Cordovan, at the unheard of price of

+\$2.69 PER PAIR.

Ask any shoe dealer to duplicate this price on this kind of a shoe and he will tell you that it cannot be done. He will tell you that it is impossible, and we say he is right, for it is impossible under all conditions other than those in a case like ours. We own the goods at 52¢ cents on the dollar and if we want money bad enough to sell them at a figure which is impossible in our ordinary business, that is our affair. We find that the gentlemen of Decatur all want a high grade shoe when they can get it at such a low price.

The Men's Goodyear Welt Shoes which we are selling at \$1.89 are commonly called hand-sewed and are as good as any one needs for wear. They are made out of the finest calf and are great for wear. They sell regular at \$3.50 and \$4 in all the stores.

The sale on both of these lines of shoes have been unprecedented. We want you to come at once for the pairs which you wish to buy.

Remember, We Can't Do It Again.

We continue the sale of Ladies' Rochester fine hand turn shoes, made to sell at \$4 for \$1.79. Also the sale of Ladies' Fine Machine Sewed Shoes, made by the same manufacturer and over the same last, made to sell at \$3 per pair. Take as many pairs of them as you want at \$1.39 per pair.

We are determined to make this January the largest in the amount of sales of any in the history of the store. We have the bottom knocked out of the prices. Come and get what you want in shoes. The like of this opportunity will not appear again.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce JOHN W. ALLEN as a candidate for a second year, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

ASSASSIN.

We are authorized to announce SAMUEL T. KIRK as a candidate for the office of Assessor for Decatur township, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

W. A. G. 10—Special communication of lodge No. 10, P. O. E. U. M. (Monday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at the office of Dr. A. L. G. W. M. J. S. McCLURE, L. N. S.

THE HONORABLE HENRY H. HENRY, the former Mayor of Decatur, will be in the city on Monday, Feb. 5, 1904, at 10 o'clock.

CITY NEWS.

Rose Bowls.

China, fancy glass, and crystal glass rose bowls at 7, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30 and 45 cents. Just what you need for the great closing out sale.

J. W. RACE, Assignee.

LADIES' Rubber G. Oves at Irwin's.

LEGAL Blanks at Dawson's Book store. Smoke the old reliable K. & W. cigars, mac 25c.

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Fine leather goods at Dawson's drug store.

Go to Henry Bros.' bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. sept 26-dit

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IRWIN'S Toilet Cream has no equal for chapped hands.

THE Grand Opera House cigars, made by Kees & Wengard, are the best in town. mar 25-dit

Use Irwin's Fig Laxative Syrup pleasant and effective.

GEBHART & SON buy goods in large lots and give customers the benefit.

TWENTY cash coupons are worth one dollar in cash at Gebhart & Son's.

CALL at Dr. HOSKIN's new dental office in Grand opera house block, ground floor. jan 3-dit

CALDWELL'S Syrup Pepsin for constipation and sick headache—10 doses 10 cents. jan 4-dit

GEBHART & SON, sell beans, rice, coffee, and flour and everything below competitors.

PURCHASE one dollar's worth of goods and get coupons of five per cent rebate at Gebhart's.

We guarantee Monarch mixed paints equal to any paint in the city. At Dawson's, successor to Swearingin. jan 3-dit

Peacock Flour \$1.00 per sack.

You will miss it if you don't buy on of those \$11.75 suits shown at Geo. W. Jones & Co's. jan 4-dit

CALL and get one of those \$11.75 suits, worth not less than \$15.00 to \$20.00. Sample shown in window. said 25-dit

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Now what do you think of this?

"There was a young girl in the choir
Whose voice was a note and a hair,
Till it reached such a height
It was clear out of sight."

And they found it next day in the choir."

Dr. T. S. HOSKIN, the veteran dentist in new his new office, ground floor, in Grand Opera House block, South Water street, ready for business. Improved appliances; satisfaction guaranteed. jan 3-dit

THE Christian Endeavor Society of the Church of God observed Christian Endeavor day Sunday evening by a short but interesting program. They also transacted some business. The society will pay quite a good amount into the missionary fund.

To know old gracefully, one must live temperately, calmly, methodically; be interested in all that is going on in the world; be cheerful, happy and contented, and above all, keep the blood pure and vigorous by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Be sure you get Ayer's.

NORMAL Advocate: The largest taxpayer in Normal township is Col. D. C. Smith, who turns over about \$2,000 each year to the collector as taxes on his personal property and \$300 on real estate. The next largest is the David Davis estate, which pays about \$2,000 entirely on land. E. M. Benson probably comes third on the list for this township and Thomas Sylvester fourth.

THIS evening Atorney Walker will leave for Baltimore, Md. to look after the case of one of our residents of Macon county, great grand children of Stephen

Maest, who died sixty years ago, leaving 290 acres of land in the heart of the city of Baltimore to be divided among his heirs at the expiration of the lease he had given. The property is valued at \$100,000, and there are said to be about fifty heirs throughout the country. The lease was given for 99 years from about 1800, and now as they are about to expire the heirs will establish their claims and reap the benefit of the advance in the value of the land. Mr. Walker and other attorneys from different parts of the country will look after the property.

JIM CORBETT has at last been knocked out. He went to Boston, the home of John L., and while he was there, dined and toasted so freely that he forgot to guard against catching cold, and now Corbett has a bad case of the grip. He can scarcely speak above a whisper and he has severe pains in his breast. He left New York Sunday night for Pittsburgh.

DR. TORREY was called to the Baker auditorium to attend a boy named Swann from Morgansville in Christian county, who had accidentally shot himself in the thigh with a sparrow gun. The doctor probed for the bullet and found it.

CAPT. AND MRS. J. A. BARNES entertained a company of friends very pleasantly Saturday evening at their home on West William street. Progressive whist was the principal diversion. During the evening choice refreshments were served.

To-day Thomas H. Boyce of Shelbyville, and Miss Lucy Fisher of Assumption, secured a marriage license.

THE Black Crook company arrived in the city to-day from Bloomington.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. R. Bessie is in Decatur on express business.

J. C. Lykes is in Monticello to-day on business.

Joe Mills departed to-day for New York City.

Mrs. Bertha Kalso is in Jacksonville visiting friends.

J. P. Nicholson is home from a business trip to Peoria.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Stoddard is very sick.

Ald. Brock Irwin visited Bloomington Saturday on business.

Miss Zora Osborne departed to-day for Indianapolis to visit friends.

Miss Zora Osborne will depart to-morrow morning for Indianapolis.

Attorney I. D. Walker returned to-day from a legal trip to Monticello.

Mrs. Joe Bishop and mother, Mrs. J. Derry, left to-day for Springfield.

Mrs. J. M. Davis is entertaining Mrs. J. M. Brownback, of Blue Mound.

Deputy Sheriff Sam Holmes returned to-day from Monticello, where he spent Sunday.

T. A. Quinn and L. W. Cook will leave to-morrow for an extended trip through the southern states.

John Irwin, who has been quite sick at his home on West D. street, is reported no better to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Moeller returned to-day from Jacksonville, Ill. where they spent Sunday.

Supt. E. A. Gastman has returned from Bloomington, where he has been attending the schoolmasters' club.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Roberts and daughter will depart to-morrow for California, where they will visit a month or longer.

Mrs. J. A. Smith, of Salt Lake City, arrived in the city to-day from Springfield, and is the guest of T. Milburn and family.

Geo. A. Fleming, agent for the Northwestern Land agency, leaves Decatur Tuesday in company with L. T. Cross, for Storm Lake, Iowa.

Fred Stoner, who has been in Chicago attending East Medical College, is home on a vacation. He was taken sick and had to return home.

Jacob Ernest and wife came from Allison, Ill., Saturday night to visit their sons, Willis, Alfred, William and Robert, and to attend for one week the revival now in progress at the A. M. E. church.

Word was received to-day from Xenia, Ohio, that Thomas Taggart, father of B. Taggart, this city, was very seriously ill and that his recovery was doubtful. Mr. and Mrs. Taggart were called to Xenia last week.

Mrs. I. D. Stine has returned from Princeton, Ind., where she was called by the serious illness of her mother. Mrs. Stine was accompanied on her return by Mrs. Laura Bond and Mrs. J. C. Clark, both of Chicago.

M. Stutzberger received a telegram Sunday stating that the home of his aged father, Anthony Stutzberger, whose age is 84 years, had been destroyed by fire at Fort Wayne, Ind., and that the old gentleman had been badly burned. Mr. B. left for Fort Wayne last night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Boblett have returned from Massachusetts and to-day they took possession of their home on West Main street, which has been rebuilt and enlarged since the damage by fire. Mr. Boblett has been in the historical publishing business for eighteen years. Late he managed the publication of a costly history of Boston which was elaborately illustrated and was issued in three large volumes. It is the third history the same firm has published for Boston.

145 Vagrants. From January 16th to February 1st, 145 tramps were locked up in the Short street station house by the depot police.

Glass Fruit Dish. You can buy an elegant glass fruit dish for 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 cents. Great closing out sale.

J. W. RACE, Assignee.

TORREY IN THE PULPIT.

Two Good Sermons at the Baptist Church—Dr. Chapman Coming March 5.

Services at Other Churches in the City—Large Attendance At All.

Sunday was a bright winter day, and everybody who went to church felt better for the airing and for the spiritual good received.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
The congregations at the Baptist church yesterday were large and the services full of practical suggestion and helpful truth. Rev. C. E. Torrey chose for his morning theme "Adorning the Gospel" naming as his text, Titus 2:10, "Adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things." The sermon laid strong and important emphasis upon the every day life of professing Christian men and women.

Paul in his instructions to his "own son after the common faith," urges that he exhort men and women, young and old, to live exemplary lives, being sober and thoughtful, for the sake of those about them, and that the word of God be not blasphemed, or evil spoken of.

Viewed from our standpoint it would seem that Paul in urging that the slaves be specially exhorted to adorn the gospel, or the doctrine of God our Savior in all things, was greatly in error. Why put the most important work of all upon the weakest element in society? We would say this work should have been given to the men of authority and influence in the city, to the young men and women of position in society that it might be of greatest service. Was Paul wrong—are we right? Ah, no! the weak things of this world are to confound the mighty, and the things that are thought to bring to pass the things that are. Some of the brightest, purest, noblest characters in God's galaxy of the good and true, some of the rarest gems in His casket of precious stones among the children of men, are from the dependent class. The poor, the oppressed, the despised and ill-treated of humanity have furnished their full quota.

Joseph in Egypt, the little Jewish maid in Naaman's household, Daniel in Babylon, the woman anointing Christ for his burial with the alabaster box of precious ointment, the poor fishermen called to the cabinet of Jesus Christ, John Bunyan the tinker, William Carey the cottoner, poor boys from humble homes in our day becoming the great preachers, learned lawyers, wise physicians, eminent statesmen, successful Christian business men, were instances as ample proof of the wisdom of this plan of Paul's, showing it to be in full accord with the divine idea.

To adorn in simplest word is to furnish or deck with ornaments. This seems to be about the idea that some have in joining the church; that as the chrysalis pendant ornament the chandelier, or the beautiful painting adorns the wall, so they ornament or adorn the church and the gospel, but as compared with a true adornment of the gospel, such an idea is as far short of the real purpose as is usefulness the bud of a tag alder is short of a peach orchard laden with luscious fruit.

In spiritual things it means to adorn with the beauty and glory of a "life hid with Christ in God." Few seem to realize this fact or to believe that "we being many are one body in Christ and every one members one of another." If we are to recommend a model in manhood it shall be well formed in body, well balanced in mind, well grounded in character, well rooted in divine truth, and the church that is lacking in these qualities will be a weak, nerveless, pitiable thing, a caricature of the gospel, a travesty at God's promises to the world.

Every one has a place and work. The individual spiritual life is of condition is of paramount importance. We owe no little of close attention and brotherly care to the lame, maimed, disabled members of this "one body in Christ" that it shall not be repulsive to the world.

Every member of this church can adorn the gospel by living in harmony with their professions. We have sometimes felt like saying "consistency thou art a jewel" in everything but a Christian's life. We may adorn the gospel with Christian sunshine, with eloquent congregations, using the definition of Canon Farrar who says that eloquence is the noble, the harmonious, the passionate expression of truth profoundly realized. Without such eloquence in the pulpit, eloquence in the pulpit will be of little avail.

We may adorn the gospel with punct-

uality, regularity, benevolence, charity, unselfishness, brotherly love, Christian fortitude, patience, prayer, thanksgiving, Christ like sympathy, so shall it prove the power of God unto salvation to as many as shall believe.

In the evening Rev. Torrey gave the first of a series of sermons upon the "Coming Revival," using as his text Job xxxi, 2, "O that I were as in the months of old, as in the days when God watched over me." His first made reference to the usual custom of annual inventory among business men that they may have positive information as to their financial condition; so the church needs to make a careful inventory of her available resources that she may be apprised of the value and strength of her working capital. In the face of the combined competing forces of evil in this day it is imperative that she do so.

With reference to Dr. Chapman's coming he said for more than a year the pastors of the city have been in correspondence with him as to the time of his coming, but not until recently have they been able to fix a date mutually satisfactory. However, that is now fixed. March 5th will soon be here, but let me say to you with all of the emphasis possible that the coming of Dr. Chapman, Mr. Elliott, his close helper, and Prof. Bulhorn, who is to lead in the song, will mean positively nothing to the spiritual interest and growth of our churches, unless their word and work shall be not only accompanied, but preceded, by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Beloved, it lieth not in men but in God to do the work we so much desire to have wrought in this community.

Items in Job's invoice named were a loss of religion, the need of a personal revival, a strong desire for God's companionship, a revival of belief, of practice of common honesty in spiritual things. Sinners were urged to a careful consideration of the fact, that there was coming a revival in which they would be greatly interested, a day when the earth and sea, shall give up their dead, and small and great would be called to stand before God, and His books would be opened, out of which they were to be judged according to their works. A pleasant after meeting followed, during which many took the occasion to express their desire for a personal revival.

Continuing the theme next Sabbath evening, the second topic will be "Esa's Preparation."

AT OTHER CHURCHES.

The church services at the Church of God were well attended on Sunday and Sunday night. At the revival services in the evening there was one conversion and 17 persons received into the church fellowship. 15 have been converted.

Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening.

The revival at the Free Methodist church is continued with great interest. Yesterday morning the pastor preached to a fair sized congregation from the subject of "Holy Living," Text, Philippians 3:16. At the close of the sermon there was one accession to the church, the afternoon meeting was a real revival service. Seven seekers came forward to the altar for prayer and two were converted. Rev. Keith, the shouting evangelist, preached at night to a large congregation on the subject of "Baptism," using for his text: Ephesians 4:5. He said in the discourse the baptism that was more essential than any other was the baptism of the Holy Ghost. After the sermon four came forward to the altar and professed to be saved. The meetings did not close until near eleven o'clock. There has been 37 that have made a profession of salvation in the last 3 weeks. Presiding Elder Kellogg will be here in the early part of this week to assist the evangelist and hold his quarterly meeting next Sunday. Services every night this week at the usual hour.

The Cumberland Presbyterian church is one of the growing enterprises of our city. Its organization dates back only a short time, but it is rapidly coming to the front as one of the active Christian bodies of our city. Its members number some of our most substantial citizens. Its new pastor, the Rev. A. W. Hawkins, late of Logansport, Ind., reports that he is much pleased with his new field and with Decatur in a general way. His people here have given him a very hearty welcome. Yesterday was perhaps, one of the best days this church has ever enjoyed. The pastor was greeted by large congregations both morning and evening. The Sunday school and Endeavor services were also well attended. There were three new members added to the church and four to the Endeavor society yesterday. The special revival meetings will be continued all this week. Services each evening at 7:30 in the W. O. T. U. hall in Liberty block. The public is invited to attend.

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